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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: GARRY W. BUSBOOM, ET AL. GROUP NO.: 3671
SERIAL NO.: 09/135,926 EXAMINER: V. Batson
FILED : August 18, 1998
TITLE : LAWN MOWER HAVING FLOW CONTROL
BAFFLES AND REMOVABLE MULCHING BAFFLES

AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 4, 1999, Paper No. 4 in the above-entitled application, please enter the following response:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 11 and 16 as follows:

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A multiblade lawn mower, comprising:

a mower deck comprising a top wall, a front wall, a back wall, and first and second side walls defining a downwardly directed opening;
each of said front wall, said back wall, and said opposite side walls having interior and exterior surfaces;
said first side wall having a discharge opening formed therein;
said discharge opening having rearward and forward ends;
means operatively connected to said mower deck for moving said mower deck along the ground;